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|  | Application No.   | Applicant(s)                 |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Office Action Summan   | 10/824,316  | ASKEW, WARREN                |  |  |  |  |  |
| Office Action Summary  | Examiner  | Art Unit                     |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Status   |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 Ma   | Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 March 2006.  |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | action is non-final.  |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| .—   | closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.               |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Disposition of Claims  |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4) Claim(s) <u>1-17</u> is/are pending in the application.   |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.   |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-17</u> is/are allowed.   |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6) Claim(s) is/are rejected.   |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.  |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or  | election requirement.   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Application Papers   |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.  10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.   |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).  11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.   |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119   | animor. Note the attached office  | 7.0.1.017 07 1011117 10 102. |  |  |  |  |  |
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| <ul> <li>12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).</li> <li>a) All b) Some * c) None of:</li> <li>1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> <li>2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No.</li> <li>3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).</li> <li>* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.</li> </ul>   |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Attachment(s)  | _   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 4) Interview Summary  |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)/Mail Date   | Paper No(s)/Mail Da<br>5) Notice of Informal P<br>6) Other:   | atent Application (PTO-152)  |  |  |  |  |  |

## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Reissue Applications

The amendment to claim 17 is not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.173. Underlining and bracketing (not line-through) must be used with respect to additions and subtractions to original patent, not the prior amendment.

Also, an explanation of support for all changes must be included.

The original patent was correct by a Certificate of Correction to change the spelling of the assignee. An amendment to the current Reissue must be made including a new cover page. The correction should be made without underlining or bracketing.

## Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-17 are allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to William P. Neuder whose telephone number is 571-272-7032. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday through Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David J. Bagnell can be reached on 571-272-6999. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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